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RE: Complaint against the American Legion magazine and the VideoEye Corporation

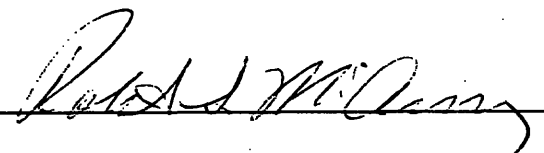
Attachments:

Copy letter to VideoEye Corp
Copy letter to American Legion magazine
Reply from American Legion magazine
Copy of ad from American Legion magazine

Please consider this as a formal complaint against the American Legion magazine and the VideoEye Corporation for what I consider may be a violation of Federal law by corporate sponsorship of a political ad.


As you can see, I have filed complaints with both entities. The response from the American Legion is attached; I have had no response from the corporation.

Thank you for your consideration.

/s/ 

**Robert S. McCurry
302 East Fourth Avenue
Lenoir City, TN 37771**

Signed and sworn to before me this 27 day of July, 2000:

 **Notary Public at Large, Tennessee**
My commission expires 12-01-01

June 30, 2000

**VideoEye Corporation
Boise, ID 83704**

FAX (208) 377-1528 Four pages total

ATT: CEO

I have been in contact with the editor of the American Legion magazine regarding your company ad in that publication for the last few issues.

I am attaching correspondence with the magazine which is self explanatory, and a copy of the referenced ad. The editor dismisses my complaint with his comment that the ad refers to the elder Bush, though most readers will not and cannot see that distinction. It is illegal for corporations to sponsor political ads; and I maintain that this ad falls into the political field.

I would appreciate your changing your ad to a strictly non-partisan copy. If the ad continues as written in the next issue, then it is my intention to file a formal complaint with Federal election officials against your company and the American Legion magazine.



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March 28, 2000

To the Editor
The American Legion Magazine

I was pleased to see the excellent article on Sen. Cleland in the March issue of your magazine as a good change from your usual right-wing persuasion. I did note that nowhere did you mention the senator's Democrat party affiliation.

You make no effort to maintain even close to a non-partisan publication and that is not fair to Legion members who do not subscribe to the republican party agenda.

I will also call your attention to the "Video-Eye" ads on page 49 of the March issue and page 43 in April. The use of the Bush name in the ads at this time may be a violation of Federal election laws and is certainly not fair or proper at this time.

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Lenoir City, TN

Magazine @ Legion.org

Subj:
Date: 03/30/2000 4:35:47 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: jraughter@legion.org (John Raughter)
To: BobMcCurry@aol.com (BobMcCurry@aol.com)
CC: pmarschand@legion.org (Patricia L. Marschand), mcnally@legion.org (R. Richard McNally)

Dear Mr. McCurry,

Thank you for your comments regarding the March issue of The American Legion Magazine. We would certainly have included Sen. Cleland's party affiliation if it were a news article rather than the inspirational feature that it is. We just didn't think his political party was pertinent to the story. We have mentioned Sen. Cleland's affiliation many times in the past. I hope you enjoyed the article that another prominent Democrat, former Rep. Lee Hamilton wrote in our July issue.

I can assure you that the ad on page 49 does not violate any campaign or election laws. In fact, it mentions President Bush, not the current Republican candidate.

Again, thanks for your comments and thanks for your readership.

Sincerely,
John Raughter
Editor

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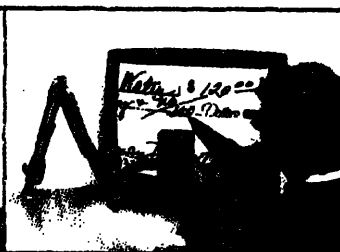
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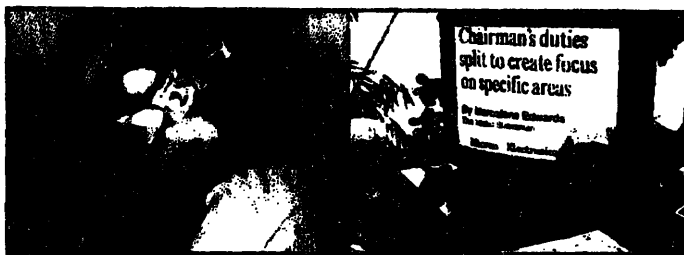
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